





## EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN (ECSS), KAMPALA ARCHDEACONARY

South Sudanese Congregation in Uganda

P.O. Box 23681 St. Stephen's Church Kabowa

Date:: 28 February 2023

H.E. Amb. Simon Juach Deng, South Sudan Head of Mission, Sezibwa Road, Kampala, Uganda.

Your Excellency,

RE: COMPLAINTS ON THE VIOLENT BEHAVIOR OF ONE JACOB NGONG ALIER FROM SOUTH SUDAN

The above-referenced character is a self-proclaimed National Security Service's operative who doubles himself as a pastor from the Episcopal Church of South Sudan (ECSS)'s breakaway group under the defrocked former Archbishop of the Jonglei Internal Province (JIP), Ruben Akurdit Ngong. While in Uganda, Jacob Ngong Alier is breaking up the church, bringing the Christians into violent confrontation and threatening the lives of the ECSS Church leaders in Uganda, especially the Bishop Commissar responsible for the ECSS Uganda Chapter. He has done and is doing the following:

- 1- Threatening the life of our Bishop Commissar, Rev. Canon Elijah Akom Malek, with the following words through phone call (translated from Dinka language) at Kampala on the night of Sunday, 26 February 2023:
- "Akom, this will make the end of your 'things'. Mark this, "We/Somebody must shit'!" (his voice record attachable here).
- 2- Mobilizing and misleading the community and church youth to threaten the lives of the Pastor-In-Charge and members of St. Stephen Church (Cou) Kabowa, particularly using the members namely: Rev. Nyibol Deng, Daniel Mach Kelei and Samuel Majok Akol, who are still on the run with the congregation's assets like worshipping equipment and finances.
- 3- Storming the said church which is the main parish of our ECSS headquarters of Kampala Archdeaconry, causing chaos and scaring the Vicar and leaders that host our ECSS congregation into temporarily suspending our Sunday services from their church on Sunday, Feb. 26, 2023.
- 4- Intruding into the church affairs in Uganda and purporting to be a one-man delegation coming to confirm and/or stop the three-yearly rotation of the church leaders under the jurisdiction of Archbishop Moses Anur Ayom of Jonglei Internal Province under whom the ECSS Dinka Congregations in Uganda fall. Jacob Ngong's action resulted to the suspension of his accomplice, Rev. Rebecca Nyibol Deng, the immediate former Kampala Area Council's Chairperson.
- 5- Declaring himself as an officer of South Sudan National Security Service (NSS) and threatening t arrest and deport anyone coming across his way.



Besides his aggressive activities in Kampala in particular and Uganda in general, Jacob Ngong was seen (in the attached photo):

- 6- rushing to the refugee settlements around Adjumani District and caused confusion that resulted in injuring of one youth among the ones recruited and invited against the visit of Jonglei's Archbishop and his delegation
- 7- The temporary arrest and harassment of the Archbishop and his delegation at Kiryandongo Refugee Settlement during their January pastoral visitation
- 8- Having been the main suspect that led to the shooting of Archbishop Moses and two other bishops at a church compound at night in 2022 in Bor town, the headquarters of JIP and capital of Jonglei State
- 9- having agitated for the shooting and wounding of the church youth who were doing their weekly rehearsal inside Langbar B Church in Bor in 2021
- 10- Being in contacts with other anti-social groups, who divide the Christians on tribal grounds and who are allegedly sponsoring his mission around to cause chaos and discourage believers from practising their normal faith in the church, as a few to mention.

Your Excellency, having, therefore, enumerated, among others, the above-mentioned dangerous conducts by that questionable character against the church and our refugee communities in Uganda, and as far as South Sudan and the Diasporas, it is my humble request as the head of the urban congregation in Kampala to you as our immediate government representative overseeing our South Sudan population in Uganda to intervene using your government way and save us from such characters.

I have to also use this opportunity to bring to our embassy's attention that we have raised our similar concerns with our host authorities, the Government of Uganda (through the police case) and the Church of Uganda (through our host parish).

While praying for peace and protection of our church leaders, the congregation and community at large, we are looking forward to meeting you and/or giving you more updates as the perpetrator is alive to his ulterior schemings. Please, find attached here other evidentiary documents for your background updates.

May the peace of our Lord that surpasses every individual's wisdom protect us and keep you in good health while overseeing our communities and affairs in Uganda. Amen!

Yours Sincerely in Christ's Service KAMPALA ARCHDEACONRY

Rev. Mary Ajok Awan, A

Pastor-In-Charge of St. Stephen's 1059 Ballon Ehulfam Cabgregation,

Archdeacon of South Sudanese ECSS (Dinka) Congregations in Central Region.

CC: The Vicar, St. Stephen's Kabowa Church of Uganda

CC: Namirembe Diocese

CC: Bishop Commissary, ECSS Uganda Chapter

CC: Archbishop of Jonglei Internal Province



## EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN

#### JONGLEI INTERNAL PROVINCE



#### ANGLICAN COLIMUNION

Dear Mary Ajok Awan

Date 05/12/2022

Advance greetings

I am writing to confirm your appointment by the ECSS Jonglei Internal province administration as in charge of our congregations in St. Stephen Kalwa.

Your appointment is effective from the date mentioned above. Your duties will include

- Preaching and teaching the word of God among your parishes and beyond
- · Preside at worships according to the Anglican Church order
- Administer sacraments in accordance to the practices of Anglican Church
- Provide pastoral care to every soul in your parishes according to the needs
- · Visit your parish folks as needed
- Uphold the congregations in prayers
- Give pastoral leadership by example

With these words in my heart, I expect that you will uphold and preach the words of Christ to every corner of your parish.

May God's blessings be always with you

Yours faithfully,

Most Revd. Moses Anur Ayom Archbishop of Jonglei Internal Province Bishop of the Diocese of Bor



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# JONGLEI INTERNAL PROVINCE



#### ANGLICAN COMMUNION

Date 07/12/2022

#### Sub: Appointment Letter for a chairperson of Uganda Chapter

Dear Revd. Elijah Akom Malek

#### **Christian Greetings**

It gives us immense pleasure and happiness to welcome you to the role of a chairperson of Uganda chapter with us at congregation of Episcopal Church of South Sudan in Uganda. Thank you for choosing to support the ministry of God by volunteering your skills and time. We look forward to you joining us from the effective Date mentioned above.

Our ministry is known for its positive and peaceful environment and strives to be fun, innovative, creative, and safe. You have been appointed to volunteer in the administration of our congregation in Uganda. This allows you to reflect on the role and its suitability for you and the congregation.

Uniting with the love of Christ, we will learn to form a relationship that will enable us to be open to where God wants to lead us. Thank you again for volunteering for this noble work and agreeing to take this great opportunity.

Congratulations and welcome for being a part of our extended family of Jonglei internal province.

Yours faithfully

Most Revd. Moses Anur Ayom Archbishop of Jonglei Internal Province Bishop for the Diocese of Bor



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### ANGLICAN COMMUNION

#### Kampala

Zone one	St. Stephen kabuo	Revd. Mary Ajok Awan	
		Revd. Rodah Adau Diing	<del> </del>
	St. Stephen kitende	Revd. David Akech Mabiei	Rural dean
		Revd. Precillia Nyalony Ayiei	
		Revd Rabecca Ajah Manyuon	
		Revd. Canon Rebecca Akot	
		(advisor)	
	St. Stephen Munyonyo	Revd. Rodah Ayen Manyuon	
		Revd. William Nyuon Jany	
		Revd. Angilinah Angeth	
	St. John Vannahu	Mathiang Chal Dal	
	St. John Kawuku	Revd. Lazarus Chol Bol	
	St. Mark / Emparement	Revd. Rabecca Atong Kur	-
	St. Mark ( Emperewe)	Elizabeth Nyankeer Malak Revd. Doruca Awur Duot	
Zone two	St. Mark Lowero		Rural dean
	St. Mark Lowero	Revd. Daniel Akuei Aguek	Kurai dean
		Revd. Mary Nyamum Bangong Revd. Martha Yual Bol	
	St. Andrew Kasumbi	Revd. Rabecca Nyibol Deng	-
	St. Andrew Rasumoi	Revd. Annah Adau Achuoth	
		Revd. Abraham Dhieu Deng	
	St. Luke Busieka	Neve Atlanta Direct Delig	
Zone three	St. Luke Seate Mukono	Revd. Samuel Akuoch Mun	Rural dean
		Revd. Elizabth Awur Adhieu	
	St. John (Ludhira)		1
	St. Paul Jinjah	Revd. William Akol Nhial	
	Area council		CHURCH OF
	Revd. Mary Ajok Awan	Chairperson 6	13.0
	Revd. Lazarus Chol Bol	Dep	
	Revd. William Akol Nhial	Secretary	JAN Z
	Revd. Daborah Akur Deng	Dep	Hard
	Revd. Rodah Adau Diing	Treasurer	N. Committee
	L/R Tabitha Lith Leek		COMMONIA
	Revd. David Akech Mabiei	Mission & Evangelism	



# EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF SOUTH SUDAN JONGLEI INTERNAL PROVINCE ANGLICAN COMMUNION



21/02/2023

Bishop Commissary Uganda Chapter Jonglei Internal Province Anglican Communion

## SUB: SUSPENSION OF REV, REBECCA NYIBOL DENG

On Sunday, February 19, 2023 in Kampala, Rev. Rebecca Nyibol authorised Rev. Jacob Ngong Alier of the breakaway group to preach at Kabowa. When the assigned pastor of Kabowa who is also the Archdeacon of Kampala Area, Rev. Mary Ajok Awan dressed to go to Church, Rev. Nyibol and her mobilised group threatened the pastor with violence until the pastor could not do her work. The tension became high in the Church because of her incitement. Rev. Nyibol still claims to be the pastor of Kabowa Church even though I have transferred her to another parish.

Because of the above, Rev. Rebecca Nyibol Deng has been suspended, effective from the date of the signature of this letter by the Archbishop of Jonglei Internal Province, Episcopal Church of South Sudan—Anglican Communion. She is suspended for three (3) months in accordance with Canon 59 (4) (5) and (8) of the Canons of the Church of the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan-Anglican Communion. She must cease from performing any administrative and spiritual activities of the Church.

When she behaves well during her suspension, then you as the Commissary of Uganda Chapter will be the one to give me a report so that she can officially be reinstated as an active priest after three (3) months.failure to show any signs of improvement may result in further disciplinary action, which may lead to the termination of her duties.

Best regards,

The Most Revd. Moses Anur Ayom Anur

Archbishop

Jonglei Internal Province and

Diocesan Bishop for the Episcopal Diocese of Bor

Anglican Communion

Cc. All Bishops of Jonglei Internal Province

Cc. Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

Cc. Province of the Church of Uganda

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5/12/2022

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

#### Greetings in Christ's name

This is to certify that the Most Revd. Moses Anur Ayom is an Archbishop of the internal province of Jong lei in the Episcopal Church of South Sudan. He is on his way visiting his people in Uganda. Any assistance rendered to him during his stay in Uganda and back to South Sudan will be very much appreciated.

God's blessings.

In Christ's service

The Most Revd. Dr. Justin Badi Arama

The Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan &

The Metropolitan Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Juba

Cc. The Provincial Secretary

## Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan Anglican Communion مجمع الكنيسة الأسقفية بجنوب السودان

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#### Office of the Archbishop & Primate

March 25, 2022

Dear Commissaries, Kenya and Uganda,

Sub: Archbishop Moses Anur Ayom

Lenten greetings to you all.

I am writing to inform you that, the Archbishop of Jonglei Internal Province, The Most Rev'd Moses Anur Ayom will be visiting Kenya and Uganda for few weeks. Please receive him and cooperate with him where necessary.

Wishing you all God's blessings and thank you.

Yours in Christ's service,

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The Most Rev'd Dr. Justin Badi Arama

Archbishop and Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

And the Metropolitan Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Juba

# Province of The Episcopal Church of South Sudan

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#### PROVINCIAL STADING ORDER NO. 4/2020

We, The Most Rev'd Dr. Justin Badi Arama, by Divine Provident and Authority, The Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and the Metropolitan Bishop of the Diocese of Juba.

To whom all these present be concerned

Grace and Peace from God to you.

#### 1. TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT

This Standing Order may be cited as "The Standing Order for Defrocking of Archbishop Ruben Akurdid" and shall come into force on the date of its signature by the Archbishop and Primate.

#### 2. THE STANDING ORDER

By Divine Permission and Authority, We, The Most Rev'd Dr. Justin Badi Arama, The Primate of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and the Metropolitan Bishop of the Diocese of Juba vide recommendation of the Provincial Tribunal Constituted under Article 55 (4) of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan Constitution 2016 AD, charged Ruben Akurdid guilty of:

- (i) Canonical disobedience
- (II) Violation of the Constitution, Standing orders and by laws of the Church
- (iii) Misleading and dividing Christians.

After nine months of prayers and other approaches of helping him failed.

We do hereby Issue this Standing Order defrocking you Ruben Akurdid from the Episcopacy and declaring the Diocese of Bor vacant.

Issued under our hand in Juba on this 14<sup>th</sup> Day of the month of August in the year of our Lord, Two thousand and Twenty AD. This being the 3<sup>rd</sup> Year of our transition.

The Most Rev'd Dr. Justin Badi Arama

Primate of the Province of Episcopal Church UG 2020

Of South Sudan and

Metropolitan Bishop of the Diocese of Juba: Of & PRIM

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# The Republic of South Sudan the Judic ary High Court-Juba

Case No: Jss/HC/CS/274/2020

Date: 26/08/2021

#### In the Matter of

#### Final Order:-

1- The case is Dismissed with its Cost.

Made under my hand with the stamp of the Court on date: 26/08/2021

Judge: LAWRENCE JA JA

**High Court-Powers** 

